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For: **System and Method for Managing Messages and Annotations Presented in a User Interface**

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Patent Specification and Declaration
- ☒ 23 sheets of drawing(s). (Formal)
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation (includes Recordation Form Cover Sheet).
- ☒ A certified copy of a Canadian (serial no. 2,293,068) application.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of references.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment

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